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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Rajesh MANCHANDA et al.

Serial No.: 09/855,542

Examiner: Lauren Q. Wells

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Group Art Unit: 1617

Title: STABILIZATION OF RADIONUCLIDE-CONTAINING COMPOSITIONS

**REPLY**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed November 18, 2002, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows.

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please amend the specification as shown on the following pages.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please cancel claims 5, 15 and 26 without prejudice or disclaimer, and amend claims 1, 7, 11, 17, 23 and <sup>28</sup>~~26~~ as shown on the following pages.

*cancel  
note*

A marked-up copy of the specification and claim amendments to show the changes made is attached.